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Dr. Diane Neilson  
Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
355 West North Temple  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

RE: Co-Op Mine Bear Canyon Mine  
MRP Bond Amount

Dear Dr. Neilson:

Co-Op Mining Company requests that the Bond amount recommended by the Division on September 23, 1985 be ammended to not include the water share replacement in the amount of \$41,726.00. This request is based on the fact that Co-Op has agreed to indemnify Emery County Special Services of any damage or loss of water resultant of Co-Op's mining activity in association with both quality and/or quantity of springs in or adjacent to the Bear Canyon Mine (a copy of the agreement is incorporated in the MRP). Also, Co-Op presently owns 300+ shares of water which could be turned over in the event of water loss.

I feel it is important to note that almost every mine within the Carbon or Emery County coal fields has potential negative sources. It would appear that Co-Op has presently done more in the form of the indemnity agreement than the other coal companies.

As you are aware, Co-Op completed an extensive drilling program and research project to predict potential impacts to ground water. The results of this investigation confirmed the conclusion of the State's Hydrologist in that no impacts are anticipated.

Based on the above, Co-Op feels it somewhat unjust to be singled out on a worse case basis to bond for the unlikely event of potential negative impacts.

Co-Op appreciates your consideration of the above request and will await your decision.

Sincerely,

Melvin A. Coonrod  
Permitting & Compliance

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